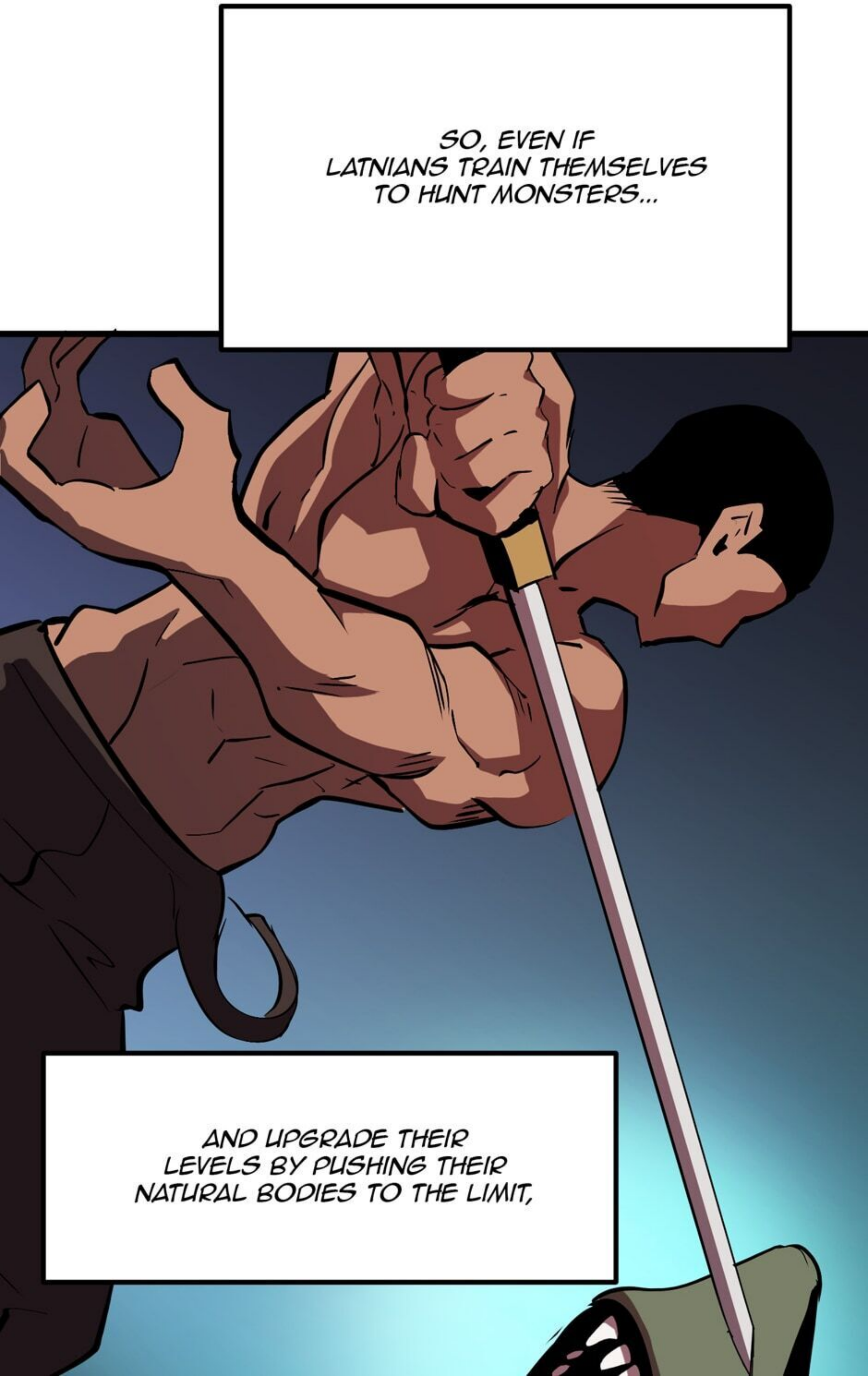
HUMANS FROM EARTH ARE WEAK AND SMALL.
THE ADVANCEMENT OF CIVILIZATION LED TO A DECREASE OF PHYSICAL ACTIVITIES, WHICH RESULTED IN THE LOSS OF MUSCLES...

BUT LATNIANS AREN'T SO DIFFERENT FROM THE PEOPLE OF EARTH, THOUGH THEY DO HAVE TO HUNT GIANT MONSTERS.
THEIR NATURAL BODIES ARE THE SAME... IT'S JUST THAT THE LATNIANS USE THEIR BODIES MORE BECAUSE OF THEIR ENVIRONMENT.


SO, EVEN IF LATNIANS TRAIN THEMSELVES TO HUNT MONSTERS...
AND UPGRADE THEIR LEVELS BY PUSHING THEIR NATURAL BODIES TO THE LIMIT,

THE HIGHEST POINT
THEY CAN REACH IS LEVEL 15.

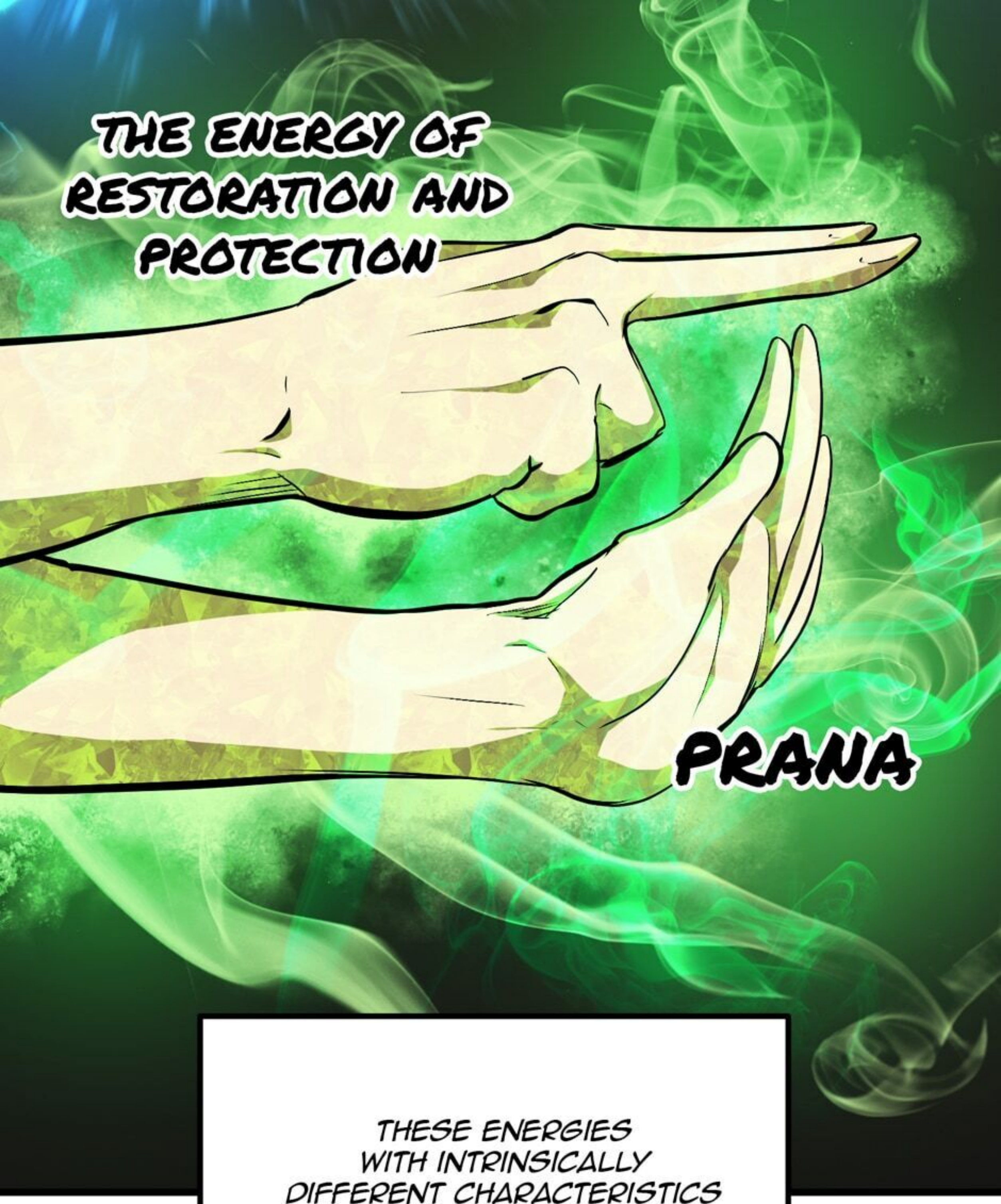
BUT THERE ARE
MANY DIFFERENT TYPES
OF MONSTERS,

AND YOUR
LEVEL CAN INCREASE
EXPONENTIALLY BASED
ON WHICH MONSTERS
YOU HUNT.

THE INITIAL MAX LEVEL OF 15 REACHED PURELY FROM PHYSICAL TRAINING BECOMES MEANINGLESS AT THAT POINT.

THIS IS WHY THERE ARE FOUR MAJOR ENERGIES IN LATNA.
THE ENERGY OF PHYSICAL STRENGTH AND DESTRUCTION
AURA

THE
ENERGY OF MAGIC
MANA
THE ENERGY
OF LIGHTNING AND
ATTRACTION
FORCE



THESE ENERGIES WITH INTRINSICALLY DIFFERENT CHARACTERISTICS ARE CALLED 'THE FOUR MAJOR ENERGIES OF LATNA.'

THE HUNTERS

THE HUNTERS PRACTICE THESE FOUR ENERGIES TO REACH BEYOND THEIR PHYSICAL LIMITS AND UPGRADE THEIR LEVELS.

THIS IS HOW THEY CAN HUNT MONSTERS BIGGER THAN THEMSELVES.

BUT WHAT IF YOU **CAN'T** USE THE FOUR ENERGIES...?

Handcuffs of Sealing
A magical instrument that, when worn, blocks the use of the four energies. The color changes while in use.

Species: Killer Bee
Lvl: 36

NG
Occupation:
Sword Master
Lvl: 45

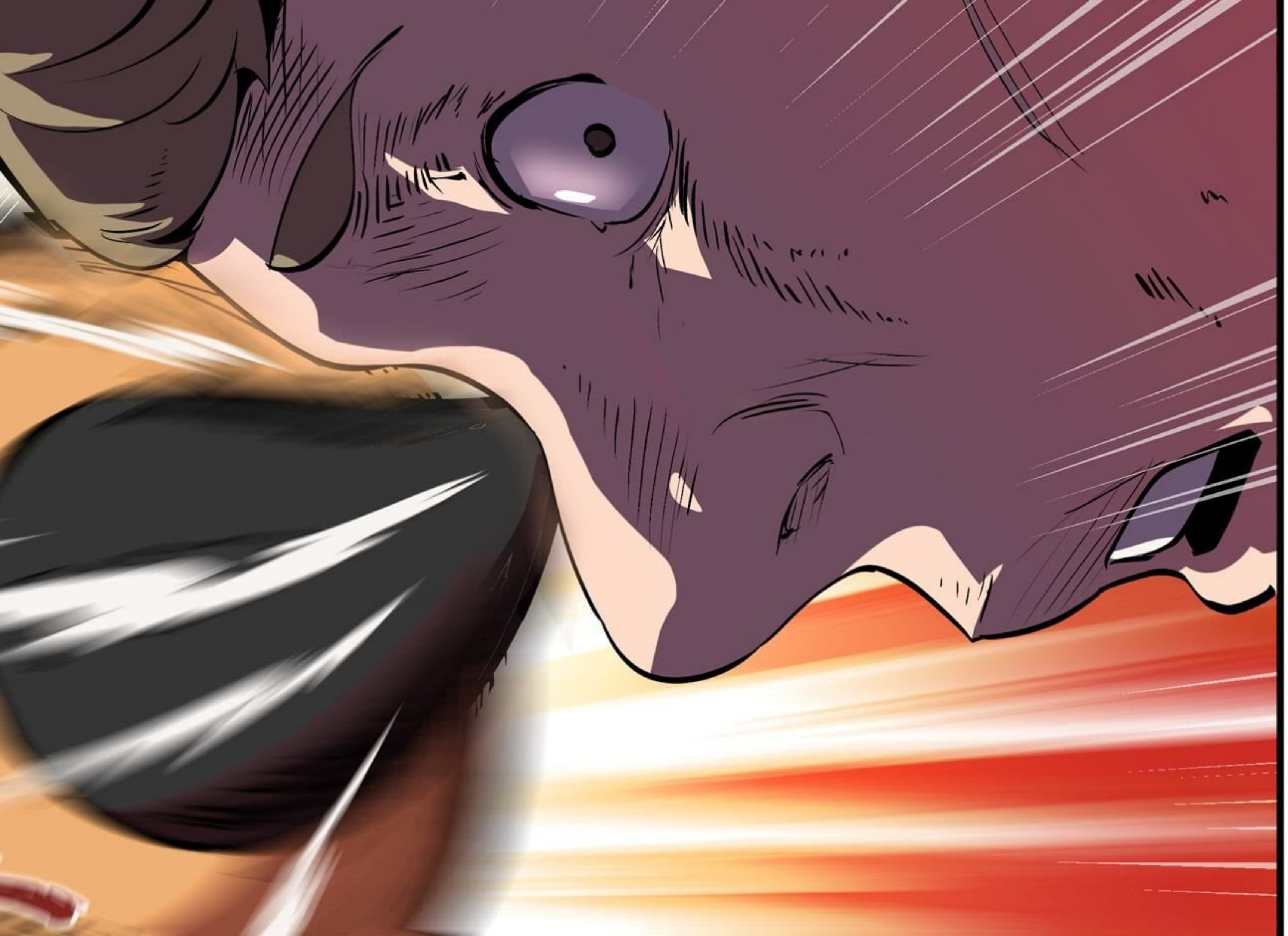
THEN A
HUNTER'S LEVEL
BECOMES NOTHING BUT A
MEANINGLESS NUMBER.

ONE WHO
CANNOT USE THE FOUR
MAJOR ENERGIES...

...ONLY ENDS UP

AS PREY TO THE MONSTERS.

THERE'S NO EXCEPTION TO THIS.

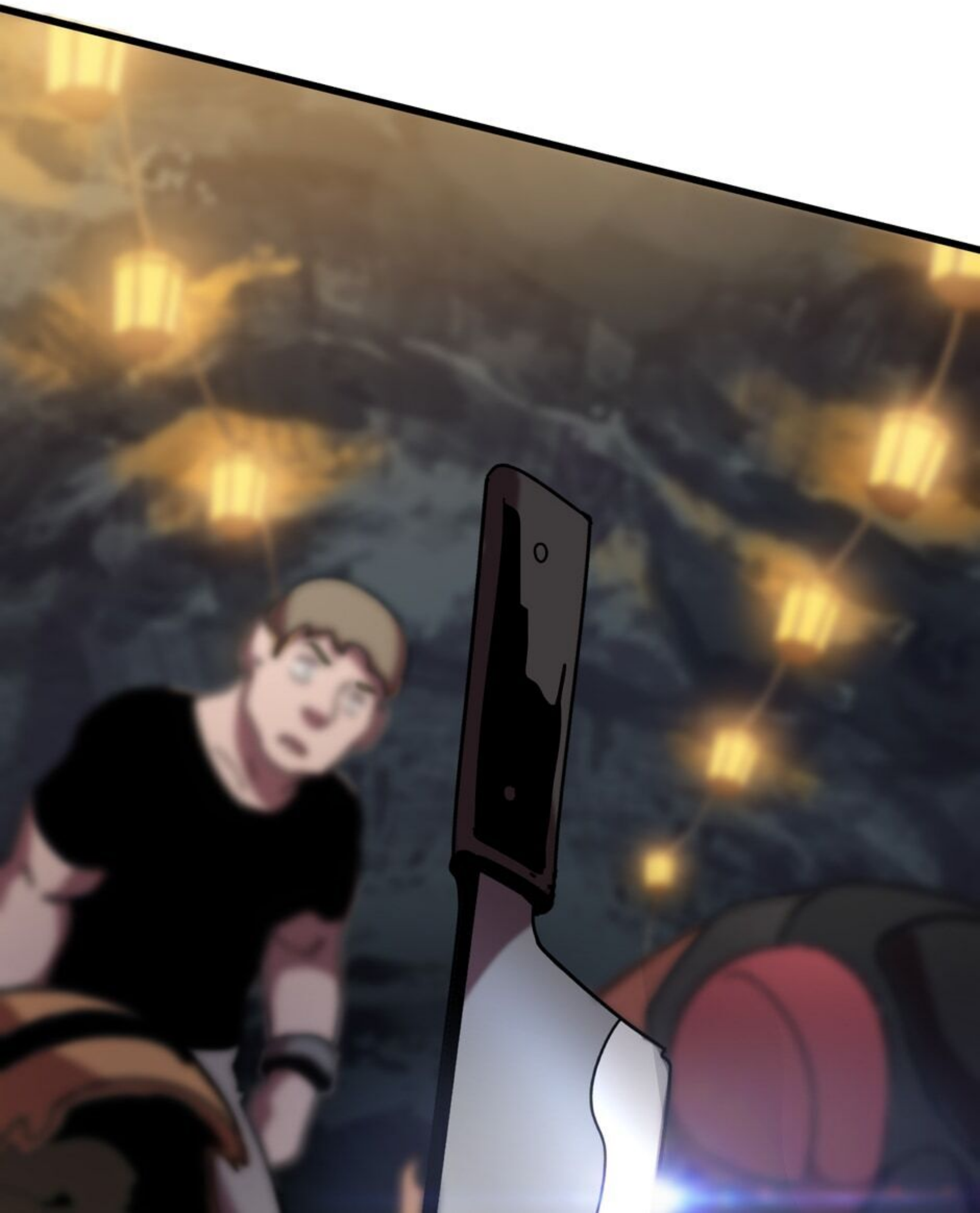


KWOOM

ربما

KILLER BEES ARE NOTORIOUSLY TOUGH TO PENETRATE...
...BUT THIS

ONE EXPLODED AS IF IT WAS ***BOMBED...!***



A KITCHEN KNIFE?
YOU JUST THREW A KITCHEN KNIFE AT IT? THAT'S ALL?!

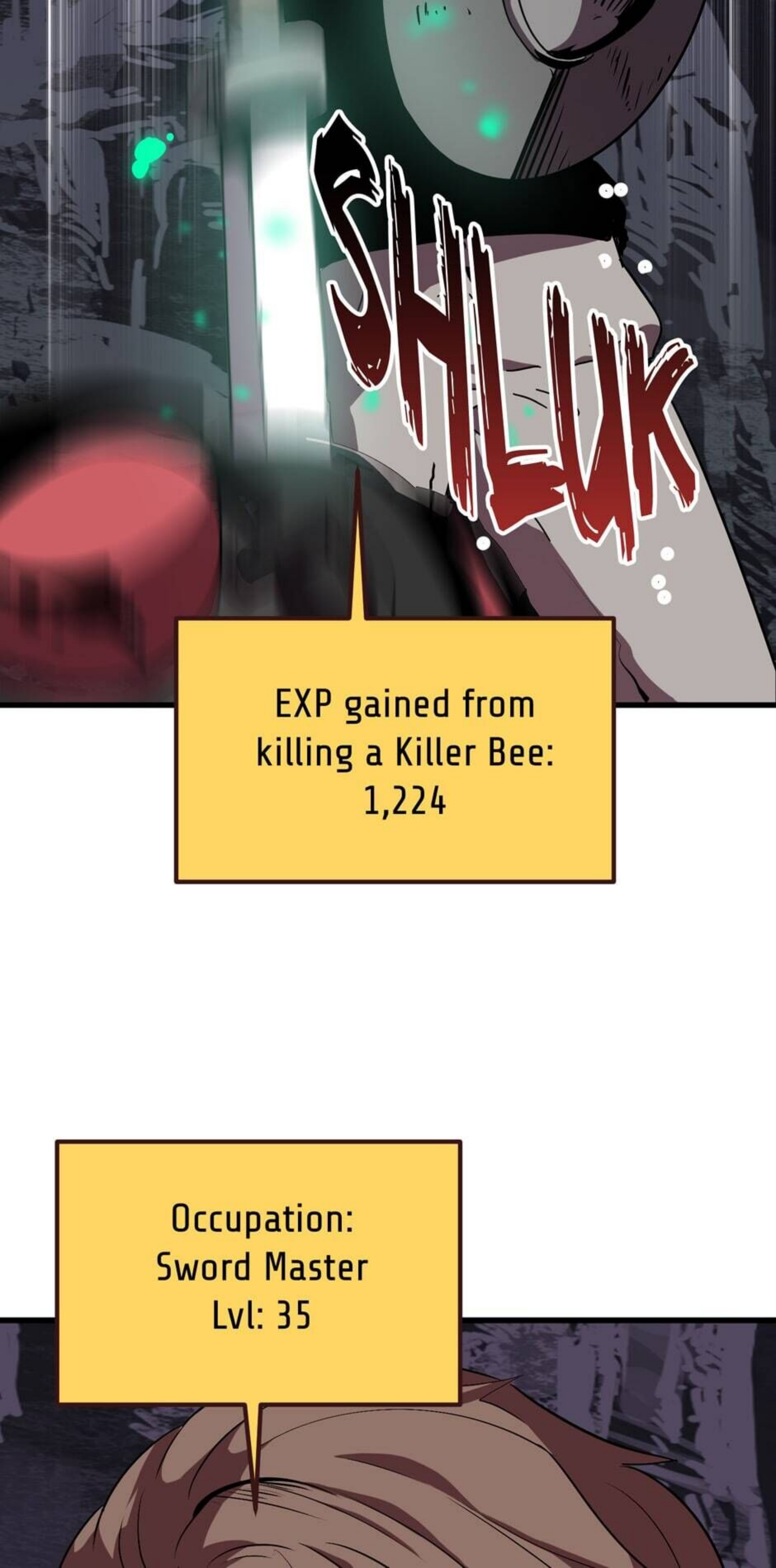
YOU CAN'T EVEN USE AURA BECAUSE OF THE HANDCUFFS!

I KNOW HE'S A VALTARAN, BUT... IS THAT EVEN POSSIBLE?!

FIVE WEEKS
INTO THE SENTENCE
I GOT MY BIG
SWORD TAKEN AWAY, BUT
THIS ISN'T SO BAD... IT BRINGS

BACK MEMORIES FROM THE ROCKY MOUNTAIN.
TAT
THIS MAKES IT EASIER FOR ME TO CONTROL MY STRENGTH, SO I CAN KEEP THE MONSTERS ALIVE.

THIS WILL HELP HIM LEVEL UP.


SHLUK
EXP gained from killing a Killer Bee: 1,224
Occupation: Sword Master Lvl: 35

WHEW...

LATNA SAGA

SURVIVAL OF A SWORD KING

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FUCK

THIS SHOULD KNOCK OUT ABOUT... TWO MONTHS...

HALF OF IT BELONGS TO THIS GUY.

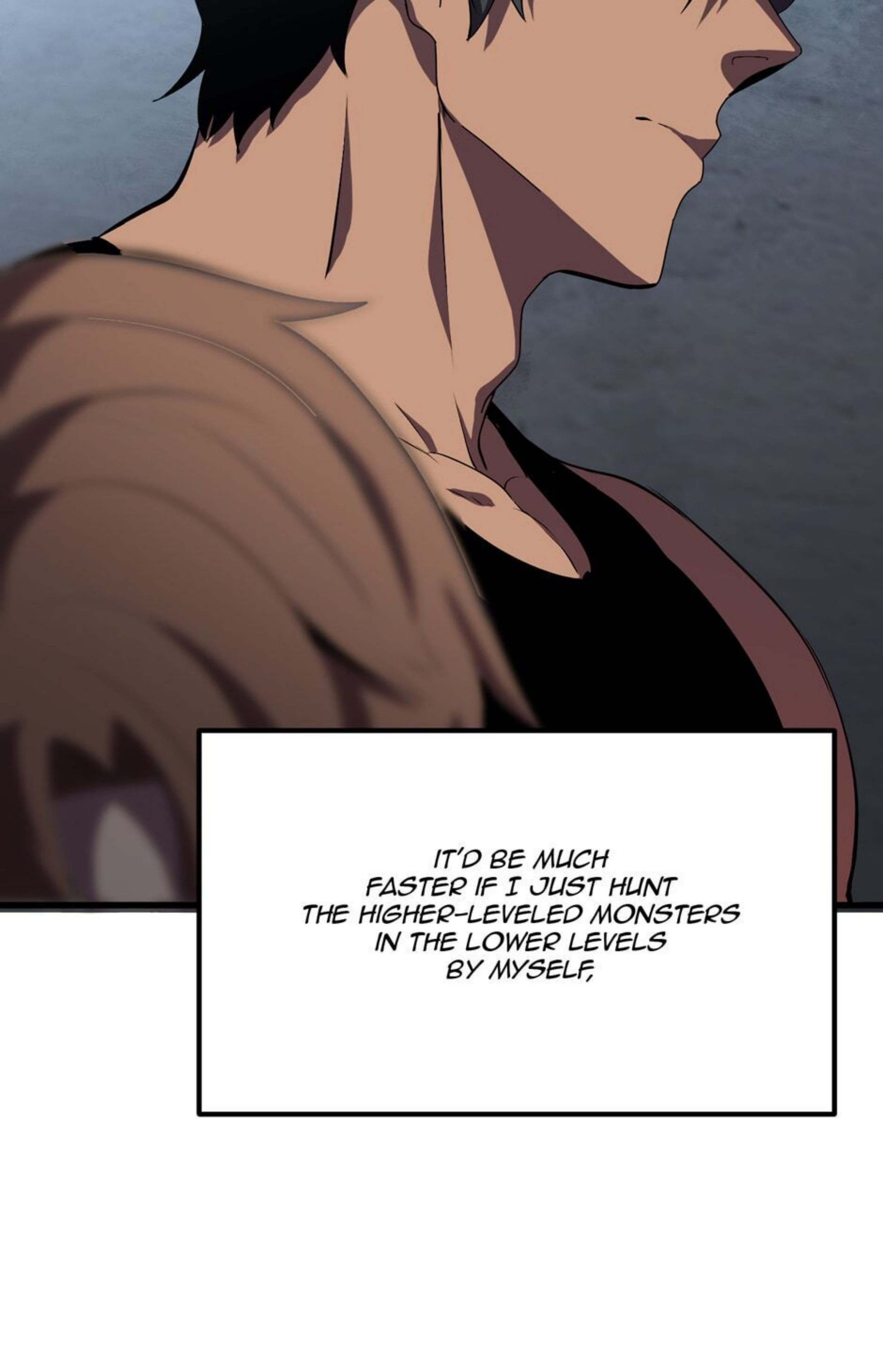
I'LL TAKE AWAY A MONTH FROM EACH OF YOU THEN.
A MONTH AT A TIME?!
WE CAN BARELY KNOCK OFF A DAY...

LET ME GET A LOAF OF BREAD AND EIGHT KITCHEN KNIVES TOO.
PELADD, WHY DON'T YOU USE ACTUAL WEAPONS INSTEAD OF KITCHEN KNIVES?

THEY ALL BREAK EVERY TIME I SWING THEM ANYWAY. THERE'S NO NEED TO WASTE MONEY.

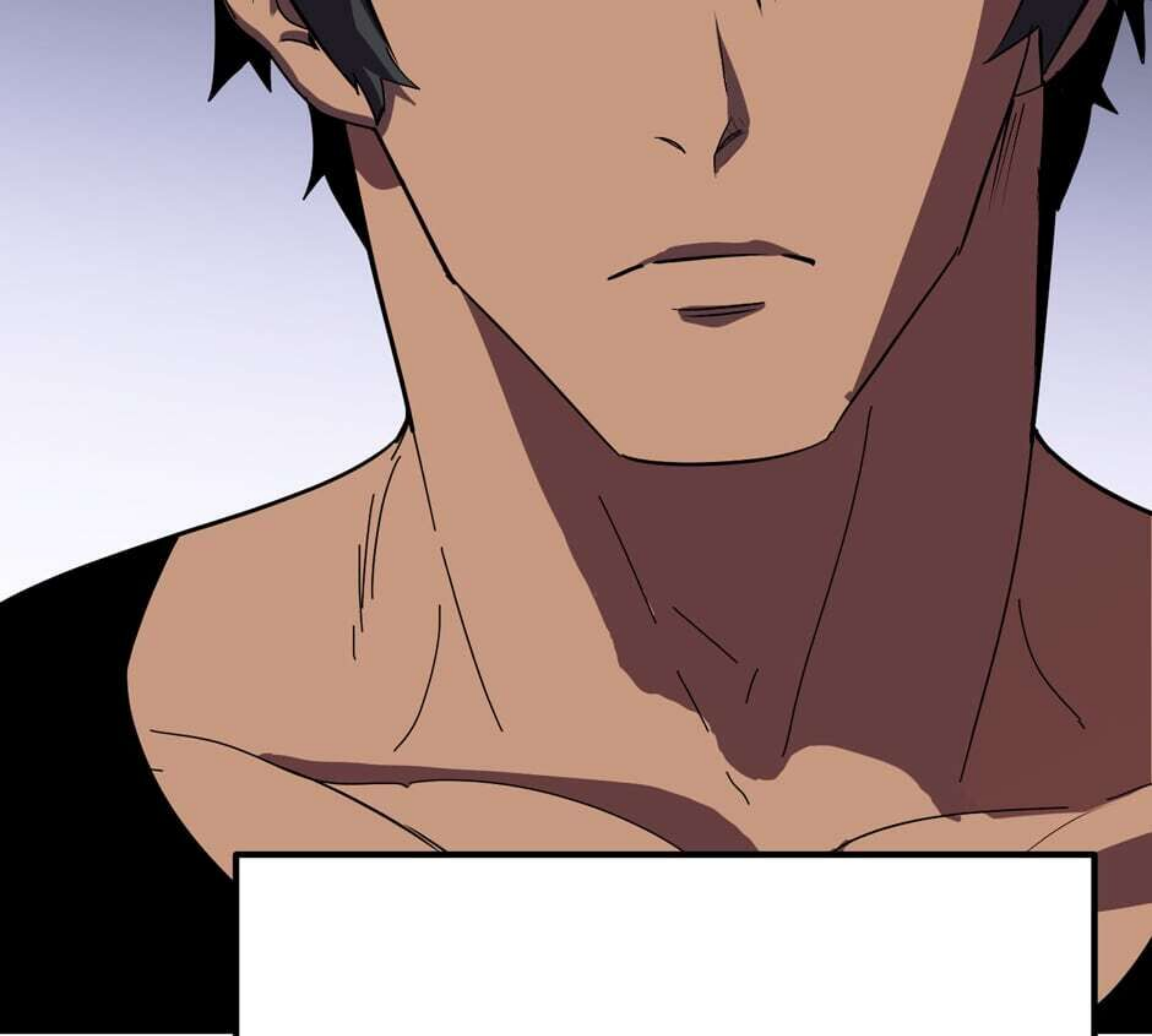
HAHAHA!
I FEEL BAD THAT
I GOT THE BETTER WEAPON...
I'M JUST STANDING BEHIND
YOU THE WHOLE TIME!

WE'VE BEEN GOING
DOWN EACH FLOOR SLOWLY
FOR THE PAST FIVE WEEKS,
COLLECTING MAGIC STONES.


IT'D BE MUCH
FASTER IF I JUST HUNT
THE HIGHER-LEVELED MONSTERS
IN THE LOWER LEVELS
BY MYSELF,

BUT I CAN'T JUST LEAVE THIS ONE BEHIND SINCE HE KNOWS MY LEVEL... I NEED TO HELP HIM LEVEL UP.
AND UNLIKE ME, HE'S GOT A NORMAL GUIDE LINE...

IT MIGHT BE ABLE TO GIVE ME SOME USEFUL INFORMATION WHEN I NEGOTIATE WITH THE GODDESS LATER.



SO I NEED TO GET
OUT OF HERE WITH THIS GUY.

OH, AND
INSTEAD OF LOWERING
MY SENTENCE...

GIVE ME 100
LOAVES OF BREAD.

THANK YOU VERY MUCH! MOST OF US HAVE BEEN DRIVEN DOWN HERE BECAUSE OF THOSE THUGS UPSTAIRS WHO KEEP EXPLOITING US...

YOU'RE USING
YOUR HARD-EARNED MAGIC
STONES TO HELP US...

HAHAHA!
THERE ARE PLENTY OF
MONSTERS TO HUNT!

HA
HA
IT'S NOT MUCH, BUT EAT AS MUCH AS YOU WANT! I HOPE YOU ALL FEEL BETTER!

HEY, YOU!! DO YOU PLAN ON STAYING HERE FOR THE REST OF YOUR LIFE?! DO YOU LIKE IT HERE?!
FWUP

I WANT TO BE A HERO... HOW CAN I TURN A BLIND EYE TO THOSE WHO ARE SUFFERING, EVEN IF THEY'RE CRIMINALS?!

TAK
TAK
TAK

ER CLANG

HAA~ WHAT A SHITHOLE...

Y-YOUR HONOR!!
P-PLEASE!
LET ME SEE MY
FAMILY... JUST ONCE!

CLANG
CLANG
STOP RIGHT THERE!

HMM~? WHO'S THIS GUY?

HE'S A FARMER THAT COULDN'T PAY A DEBT, AND WAS SENTENCED TO 15 YEARS, FIVE YEARS AGO. HE HAS NO HUNTER EXPERIENCE AND HIS FAMILY'S BEEN MAKING PAYMENTS FOR BAIL.

HE'S A FARMER? *TCH...* HE SHOULD AT LEAST PUT IN THE EFFORT TO KILL SOME MONSTERS IF HE WANTS TO SEE HIS FAMILY.

THERE'S A RECORD OF HIM ENTERING A DUNGEON THREE MONTHS AGO, BUT...

...HE GOT HIS LEG CUT OFF BY A MONSTER.
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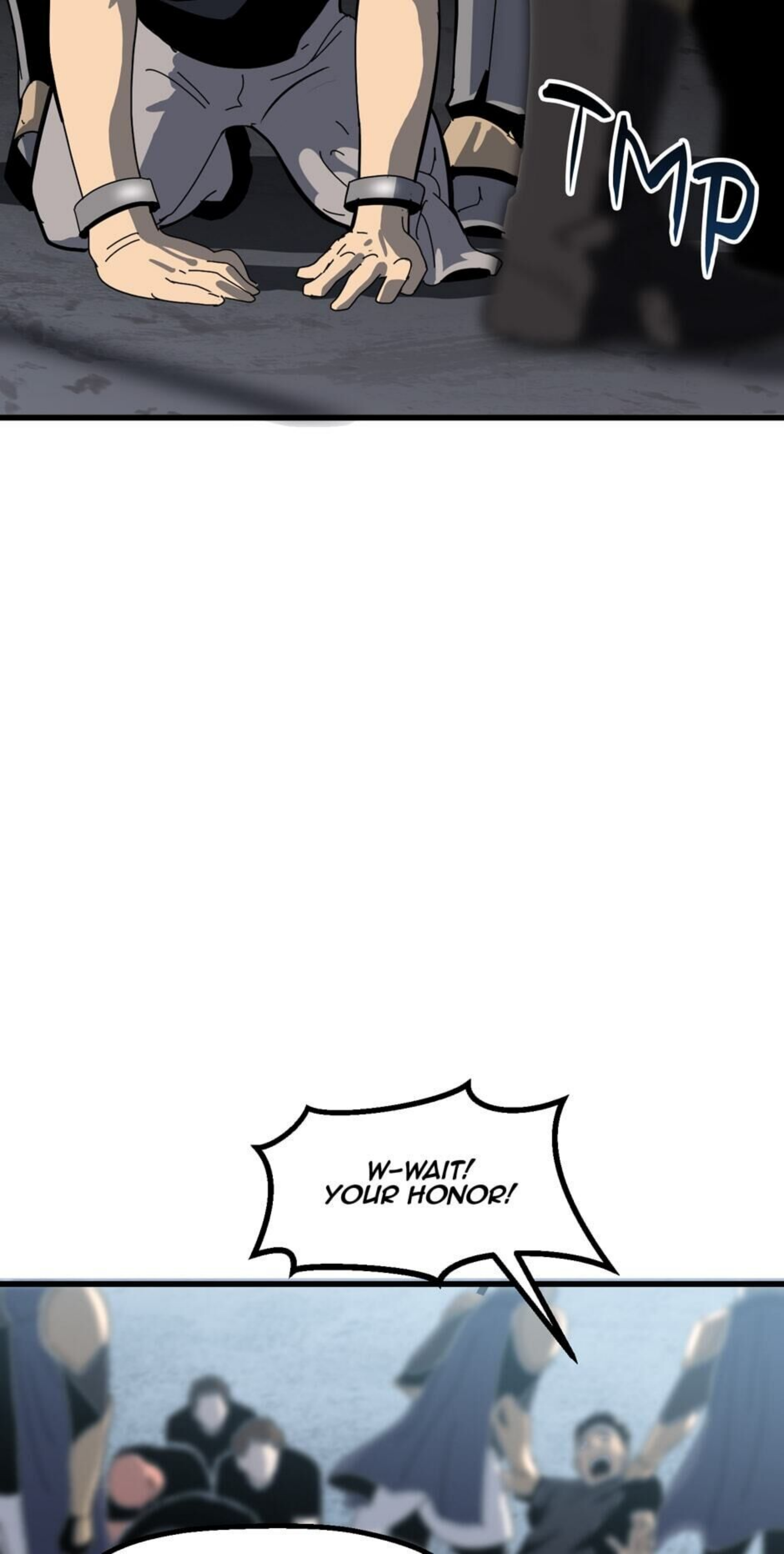
SO... HE COULD NEVER KILL ANY MONSTERS OR COLLECT MAGIC STONES?
WE SHOULD AT LEAST GIVE HIM A CHANCE TO TRY.

THROW HIM
IN THE DUNGEON.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W-WAIT!
YOUR HONOR!

I TOLD YOU TO GET RID OF THE ONES WHO DON'T MAKE US ANY MONEY~ WARDEN!
I-I APOLOGIZE... BUT WHAT BRINGS YOU HERE TO SUCH A LOWLY PLACE...?
THERE'S A CERTAIN PRISONER I'M LOOKING FOR.

HEY!
HELP ME! HANS!
CHARLIE!
HELP ME!!

STOP KICKING!
IT'S HARD ENOUGH TO
DRAG YOU AS IT IS...

AT LEAST
WE'RE NOT KILLING
HIM OURSELVES THIS TIME.
FAK

V-VALTARAN!
A-AND THE NUTJOB?!

TAK
TAK

TAKA
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WH-WHAT, YOU W-WANT A PIECE OF US?
SK
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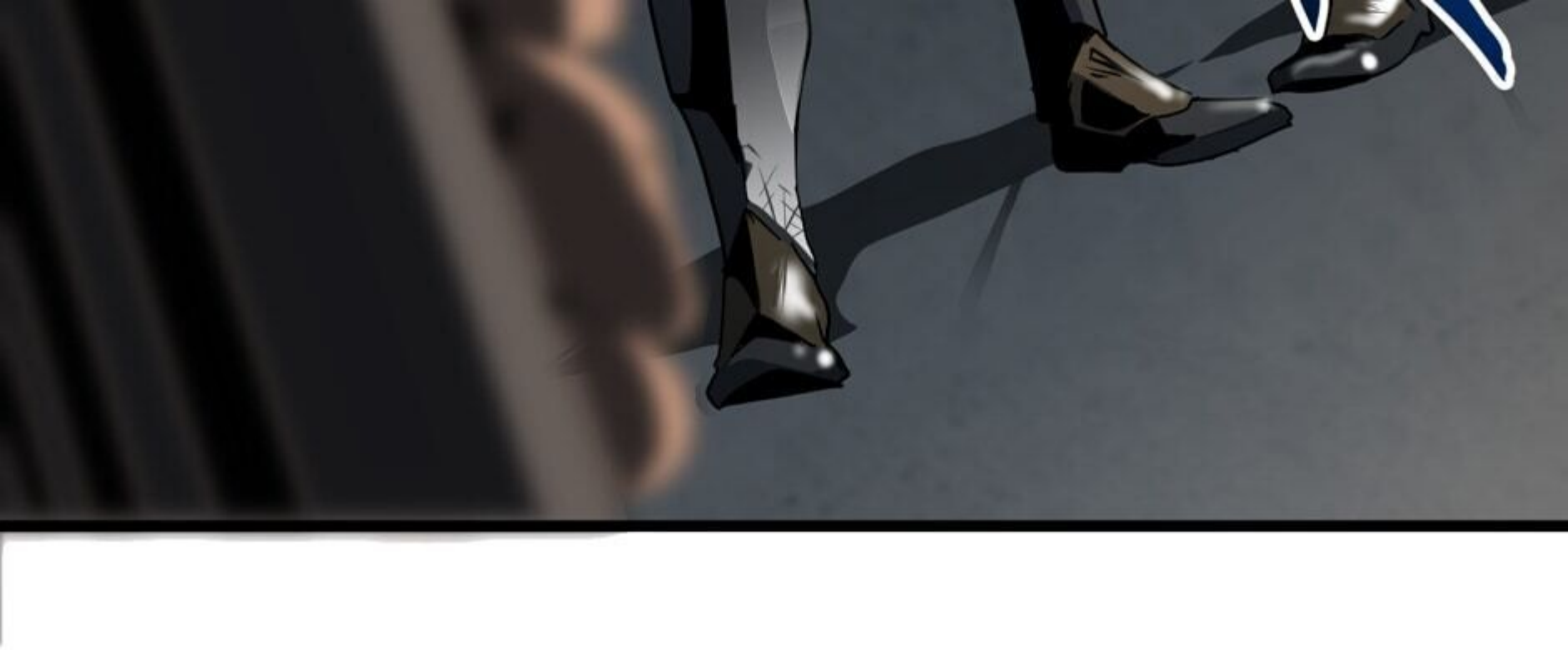


NO, WE WERE JUST ON OUR WAY TO THE DUNGEON.

HAHAHA!
WE JUST CLEANED UP ALL THE MONSTERS FROM THE OTHER SIDE OF THE DUNGEON, SO WE HAVE NO CHOICE.
WE'LL GO WITH HIM.

WHY ARE YOU JUST STANDING THERE?

STANDING THERE?

WEREN'T YOU ABOUT TO GO INSIDE THE DUNGEON TOO?

IF NOT...

DO YOU WANT A PIECE OF ME?

CALDRY, THE
THOUSAND-YEAR KINGDOM
NORTH-EASTERN REGION

THE
THOUSAND-YEAR SNOW
MOUNTAIN
A DRAGON'S NEST

WE'RE DONE MEASURING THE LEVELS OF THE REFUGEES~

NO ONE'S SUSPECTED OF BEING AN OTHERWORLDER.

THIS IS THE SIXTH DRAGON'S NEST WE'VE TAKEN OVER.

HAA...

WHAT'S WRONG? OUR AMBUSH WAS A TOTAL SUCCESS AND THERE ARE NO CASUALTIES ON OUR SIDE.

THE COMMANDER MUST'VE SNIFFED SOMETHING OUT... HE TOLD US TO GATHER MORE INFORMATION.

BUT HOW CAN WE POSSIBLY FIND ANYTHING HERE AFTER HE DOES *THIS* TO THE NEST?!

...SOMETHING MUST'VE REALLY BOTHERED HIM~

WHERE IS HE?

HE WENT TO
THE CHURCH HEADQUARTERS,
SAYING THAT HE HAD TO GIVE
THEM SOMETHING...

THE CHURCH
OF DARKNESS
HEADQUARTERS

THE SAINTESS' CHAPEL

WELCOME BACK,
HEAD INQUISITOR. HOW WAS
THE EXPEDITION THIS TIME?

JUST AS THE ORACLE THAT THE SAINTESS RECEIVED SAID, WE FOUND THE OTHERWORLDERS' LAB THERE.
WE'VE ALSO RECOVERED OMPHALOS' BLESSING.

THIS TINY FRAGMENT GIVES OUT SO MUCH ENERGY!
IF IT WEREN'T FOR THE ORACLE YOU RECEIVED, THE WORLD WOULD'VE FALLEN INTO CHAOS.

I'M SURE THAT
THE GODDESS OF DARKNESS,
KIBRIEL, IS VERY PLEASED WITH
YOUR ACCOMPLISHMENT.

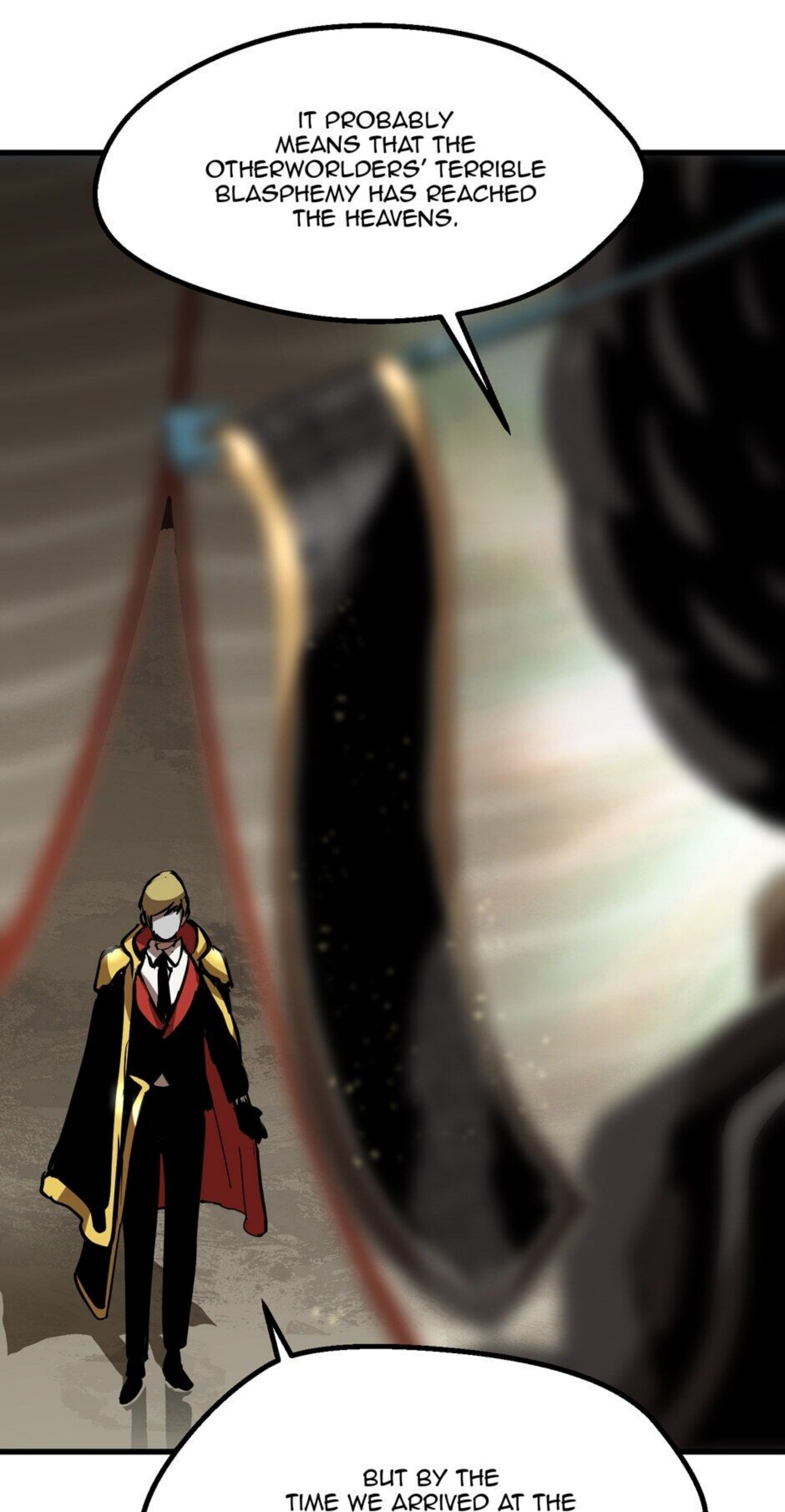
SIR LEONHART.
...

IS SOMETHING BOTHERING YOU, SIR LEONHART?

SAINTESS... ISN'T IT STRANGE?

HISTORICALLY,
THE GODDESS HAS SENT
HER MESSENGER TO WATCH
THIS WORLD AND GRANT
US PERCEPTION.

SHE'S NEVER INTERVENED SO DIRECTLY WITH WORLDLY MATTERS BEFORE.


IT PROBABLY MEANS THAT THE OTHERWORLDERS' TERRIBLE BLASPHEMY HAS REACHED THE HEAVENS.
BUT BY THE TIME WE ARRIVED AT THE

NEST AFTER RECEIVING THE ORACLE, THERE WERE OVER 100 CASUALTIES ALREADY!

IF THE GODDESS KNEW THEIR LOCATION, WHY DIDN'T SHE JUST...

SIR LEONHART!

IN 70 YEARS
OF LIVING MY LIFE AS
A SAINTESS...

FLAP

I'VE NEVER RECEIVED THIS MANY ORACLES BEFORE EITHER!

IT JUST MEANS THAT THE GODDESS IS GRAVELY CONCERNED ABOUT THE CHAOTIC STATE OF THIS WORLD...

HOW COULD YOU BE SO ***UNGRATEFUL*** AS TO GRUMBLE LIKE THAT?!

I UNDERSTAND YOU'VE BEEN CHOSEN AND BLESSED BY THE GODDESS, BUT YOU'RE OUT OF LINE!

I'VE BEEN CARELESS WITH MY WORDS...

I GUESS YOU STILL HAVE THE PASSION OF A YOUNG MAN SINCE YOUR BODY DOESN'T AGE...

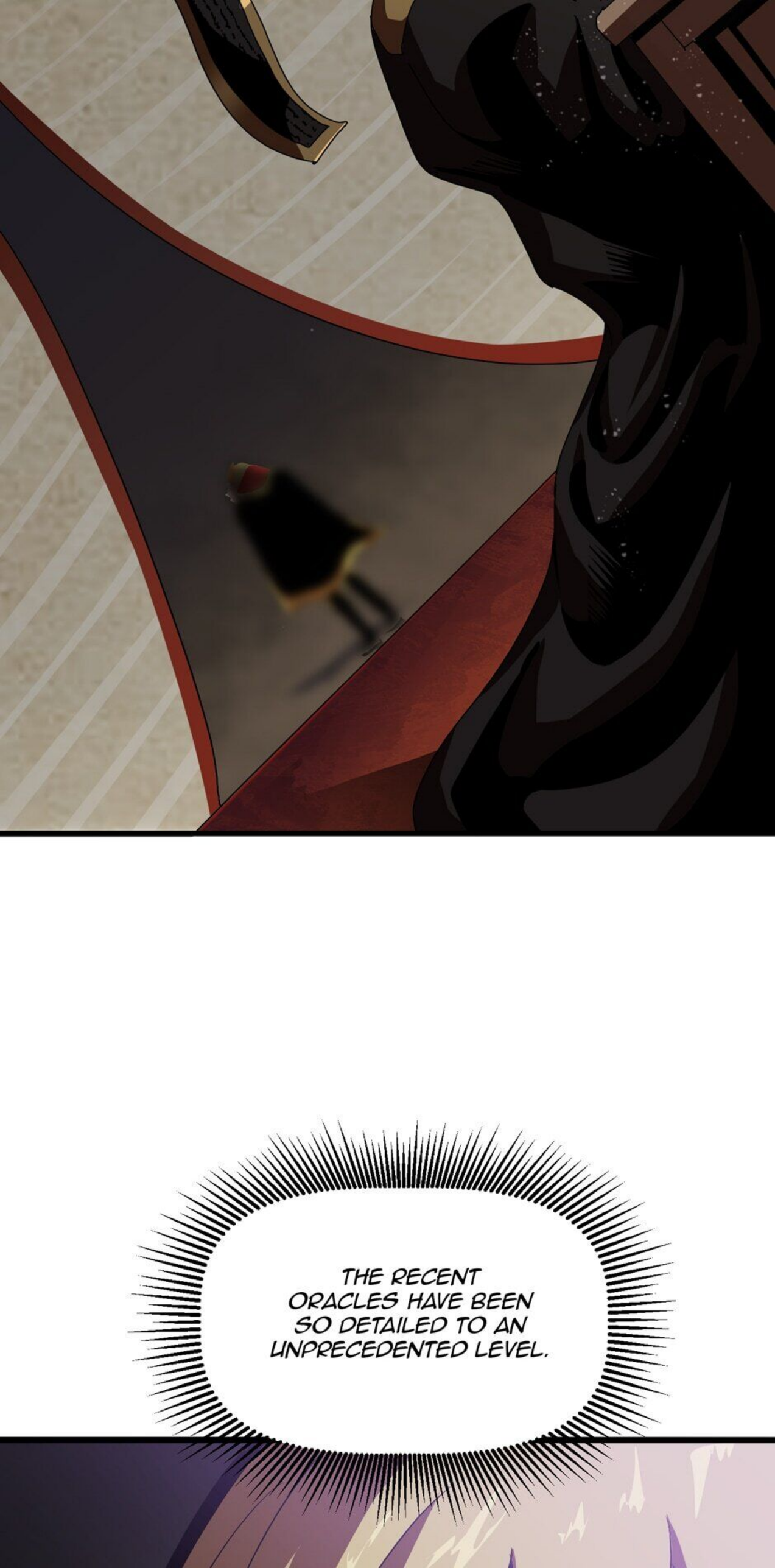
BUT YOU'RE NO LONGER A CHILD CAUSING TROUBLE.
YOU MUST BE CAREFUL WITH YOUR WORDS AND ACTIONS.

AND NEXT TIME, DON'T FORGET TO TAKE OFF YOUR MASK.
HOW RUDE OF ME! MY APOLOGIES...
THE GODDESS GAVE YOU SUCH A GOOD-LOOKING FACE! LET'S NOT WASTE IT. HUHUHU~

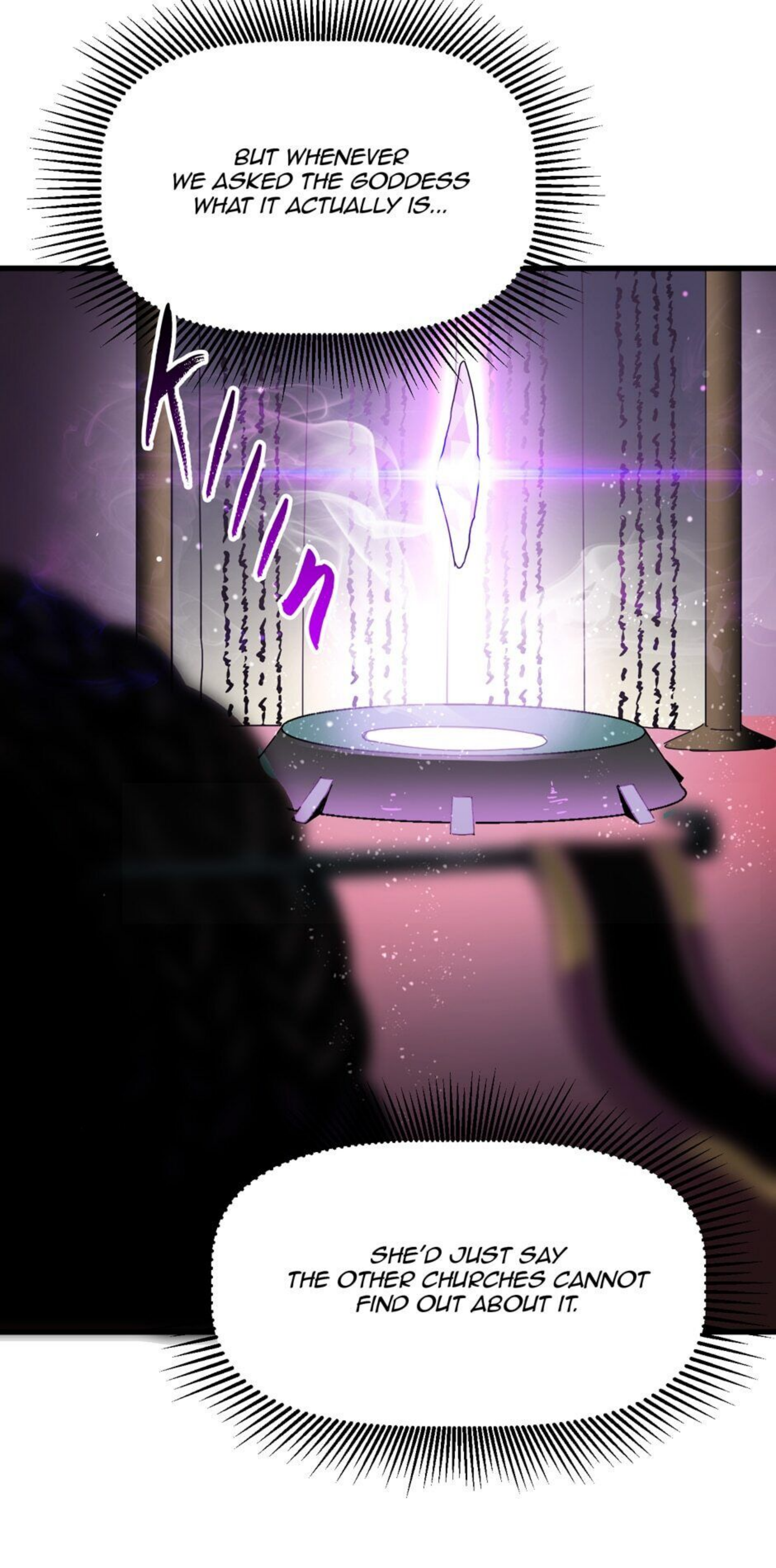
...I'LL WAIT
FOR THE NEXT ORACLE.

KIBRIEL,
THE GODDESS OF
DARKNESS AND THE END
OF ALL THINGS...

I OFFER UP
THE BLESSING OF
THE DEMONIC GOD
TO YOU.


THE RECENT ORACLES HAVE BEEN SO DETAILED TO AN UNPRECEDENTED LEVEL.

SKF
WE WERE ABLE TO RECOVER OMPHALOS' BLESSINGS OVER AND OVER AGAIN FROM GREAT EARTH.


BUT WHENEVER WE ASKED THE GODDESS WHAT IT ACTUALLY IS...
KIIIN
SHE'D JUST SAY THE OTHER CHURCHES CANNOT FIND OUT ABOUT IT.

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JUST WHAT
IS GOING ON HERE...?

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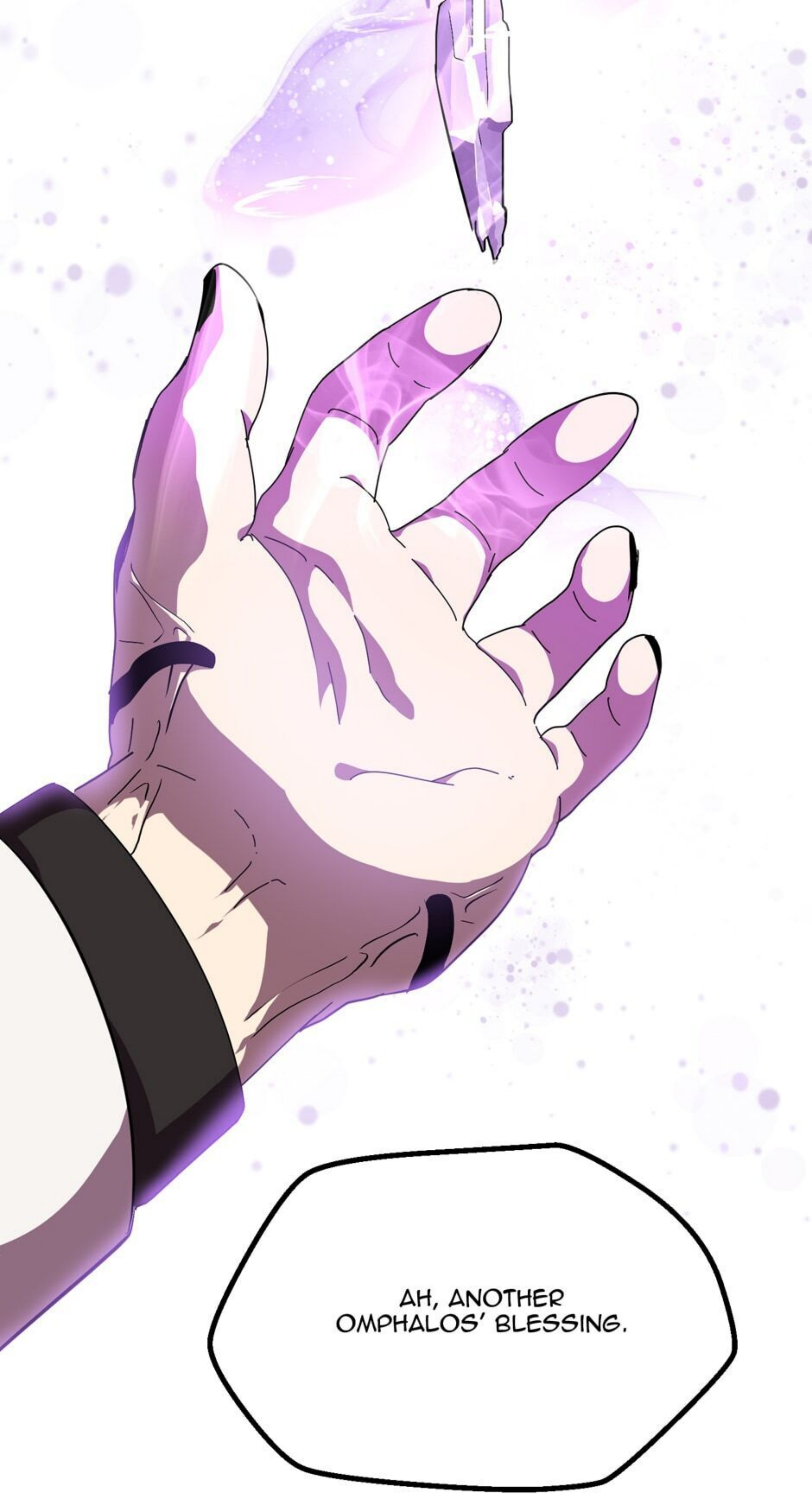
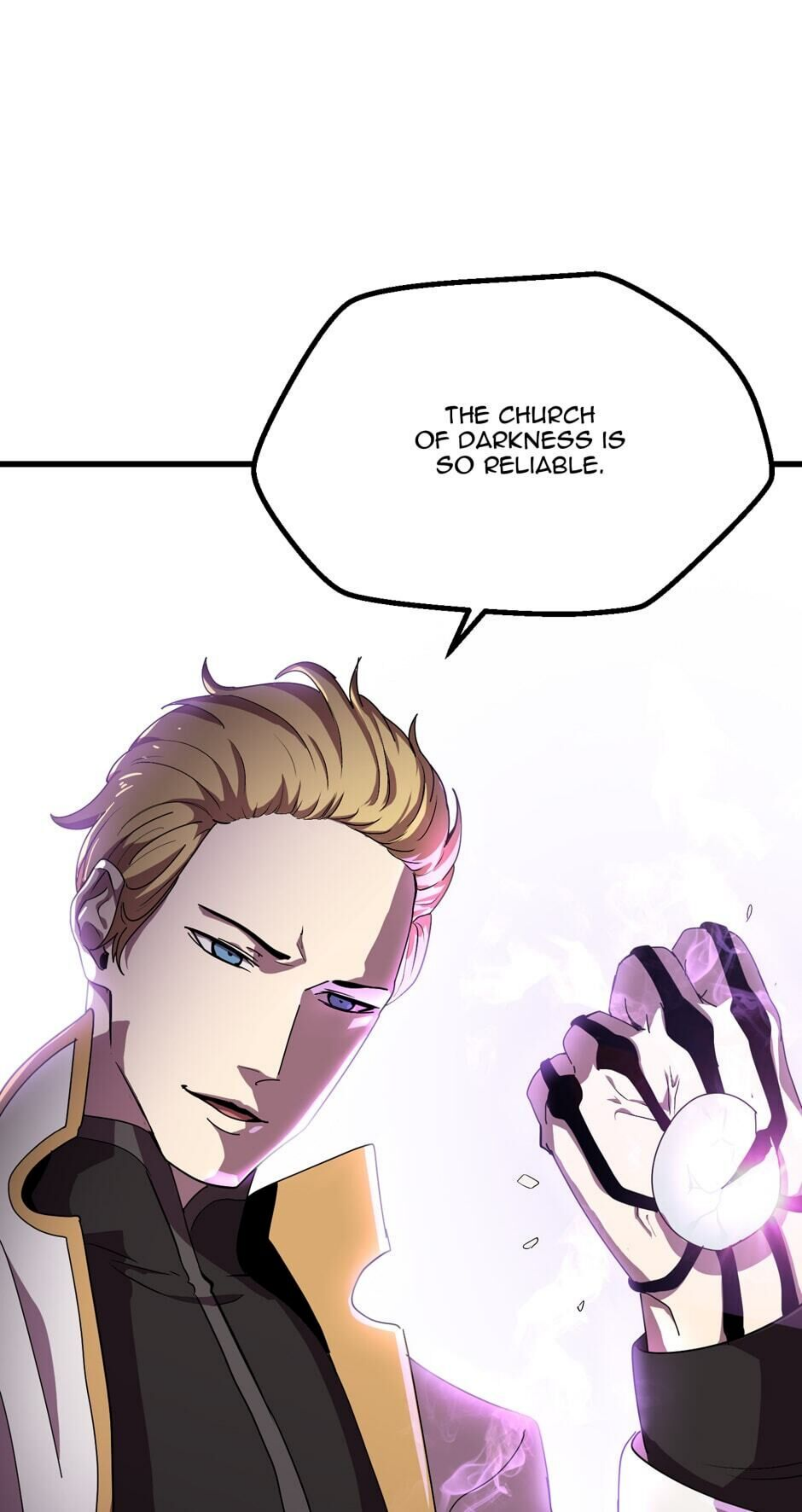

AH, ANOTHER OMPHALOS' BLESSING.


THE CHURCH OF DARKNESS IS SO RELIABLE.

RED DOG
CULTURE HOUSE